

Photo-processing



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Scoville wrote DNRO with a proposal for future handling of photo recon product to match the advancing state of the art in collection. He underlined the proven wisdom of having for the previous six years depended upon a contract facility (Eastman) whose entire reason for existence was its continued competence in all aspects of photography in order to handle the products of exotic photographic reconnaissance.

Scoville said "It is the responsibility of CIA to arrange for the processing of photography collected by Opas which the DNRO has assigned to CIA. Because of the importance of the information which such operations are designed to collect, highest quality processing is the objective."

A proposal was made for upgrading the Eastman Kodak facility which had been set up at CIA's initiative at beginning of the U-2 project.

CIA would look to USIB/COMOR for determination of requirements and priorities in processing.

10 July 1962 Scoville to DNRO referred to meeting of 8 June 62 where DIA, EKC and AFCIN reps met with NRO reps to decide best use of DOD processing facilities for handling community recon photography.

NRO review(s) completed.